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KERN COUNTY 2008 WMA Base Funding Work Plan

By

The Kern County Department of Agriculture and Measurement Standards Member of the Kern WMA

"A" Rated Weed Eradication Project

January 1, 2009 – December 31, 2009

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WMA Group Affiliation:

Kern Weed Management Area (Kern WMA)

Confirmation:

The Kern WMA wishes to have two (2) separate contracts for baseline funding:

- 1. The Kern County "A" Rated Weed Eradication Project by the Kern County Department of Agriculture and Measurement Standards
- 2. The Kern WMA Noxious Weed Strike Force and Coordination Project by the Tehachapi Resource Conservation District (TRCD)

This is only one (1) of the proposals.

Project Objectives:

The Kern County Department of Agriculture and Measurement Standards, with the cooperation of other Kern WMA partners, will work to eradicate "A" rated weeds from Kern County. "A" rated noxious weeds known to occur in Kern County are; Dalmatian Toadflax, Spotted Knapweed, Scotch Thistle, and Harmel. These "A" rated weed populations will be surveyed and treated to prevent their spread as we work toward their complete eradication. "A" rated weeds previously eradicated from Kern County include; Camelthorn, Halogeton, Salsola, and Torrey's

Nightshade. These historical locations will also be surveyed, as time allows, and treated, if necessary, to ensure that these weeds do not return.

The Kern County Department of Agriculture and Measurement Standards, with the cooperation of other Kern WMA partners, will also educate the public on the dangers that "A" rated weeds pose to their environment and way of life. The public will be informed how to identify, prevent and eradicate noxious weeds through public presentations and informational flyers.

The funding requested from this proposal will not be counted as an in-kind match on projects that are currently funded by other CDFA contracts.

Equipment:

Global positioning system (GPS) units and geographic information system (GIS) software will be used for mapping "A" rated weed locations. Backpack and handheld sprayers will be used to chemically treat noxious weeds. Other equipment (safety gear, shovels, etc.) will be utilized as needed. This equipment will be an In-Kind contribution from the Kern County Department of Agriculture and Measurement Standards.

Mapping & Monitoring:

Maps will be produced showing the areas where "A" rated weed populations were found and treated. Before and after treatment monitoring will also be conducted to measure our success and the need for future treatments.

Reporting:

A report will be submitted at the completion of the contract stating acres surveyed, gross/net acres treated, approximate number of plants treated, and other information as required by the CDFA contract.